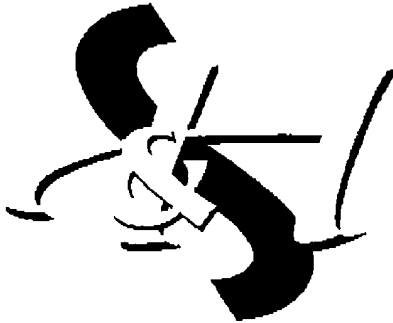


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Dear Examiner Lee:

In response to the non-final action mailed March 4, 2005, we enclose the following:

- 1) Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated March 31, 2005 (1 page); and
- 2) Response to Election/Restriction Requirement with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated March 31, 2005 (2 pages).

Very respectfully,

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TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a Response to Election/Restriction Requirement for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicants are independent inventors.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the nonfinal Examiner's action mailed March 4, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire April 4, 2005 as follows:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Office states that claims 1-9 and 12 of the Application as filed are generic. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the finding of the Office. Applicant believes that claims 1-8 and 12 are generic.

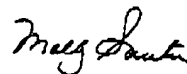
Applicant elects to prosecute Species A, claims 1-12, directed to methods utilizing digitally acquired mammograms. This election is made with traverse.

REMARKS

If an Examiner's Amendment would place the pending claims in condition for allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned at (727) 507-8558 is requested.

Very respectfully,

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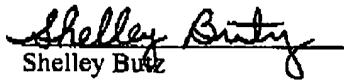
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